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AMENDMENTS

In response to the telephone discussion with the Examiner on Nov $20^{\rm th}$ 2006 and interview with the Examiner and Wanda Walker, SPE on Nov. 2, 2006 and the fax by the Examiner dated Nov. $9^{\rm th}$ 2006.

A Markup and a clean copy of amended and cancelled claims are attached as suggested by the examiner in his fax.

REMARK

The change in the claim 1 is based on Example 1. in patent description.

No new matter has been added and a withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Herewith, we request 1 month extension for response within first month. A payment by credit card is attached.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call me (Tel 410 997 0301).

Thanking you in advance for all your cooperation.

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